

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A<sup>1</sup>  
--Figures 1A-1D depict the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:1) and predicted amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) of human CARD-7. The methionine-initiated open reading frame of human CARD-7 (nucleotides 523 to 4809 of SEQ ID NO:1) is shown in SEQ ID NO:5.--

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A<sup>2</sup>  
--Figures 4A-4C depict the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:3) and predicted amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:4) of human CARD-8. The methionine-initiated open reading frame of human CARD-8 (nucleotides 314 to 1606 of SEQ ID NO:3) is shown in SEQ ID NO:6.--

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A<sup>3</sup>  
--Figure 7 depicts the nucleotide sequence of a human CARD-5 cDNA (SEQ ID NO:7). The open reading frame of this cDNA extends from nucleotide 54 to nucleotide 638 of SEQ ID NO:7 (SEQ ID NO:9) and encodes a 195 amino acid protein SEQ ID NO:8). The complementary strand of SEQ ID NO:7 is shown in SEQ ID NO:10.--